

## House Resolution 537

By: Representative Watson of the 91<sup>st</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Mrs. Mary Sallie Clark Hughes; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mary Sallie Clark Hughes, affectionately known as Mother Hughes, is 93  
3 years of age and is still in service to others; and
- 4 WHEREAS, a frequent sight in Atlanta is a truck with doors bearing the statement, "Mother  
5 Hughes, A One-Woman Missionary and Humanitarian—supporting Homeless and Fire  
6 Victims for over 60 years"; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she was born in 1913 in Oglethorpe County, Georgia, where she received her  
8 early years of education, aspiring at a young age to make a difference in the lives of others;  
9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, at age 11 she came to Atlanta, where she continued her education in the Atlanta  
11 public school system, receiving a scholarship to attend Morris Brown College, but chose  
12 instead to further her education in the Bennett School of Nursing, from which she graduated  
13 with honors; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hughes earned her Licensed Practical Nurse's designation in 1964 and  
15 maintains her license today so that she can render professional service whenever the need  
16 arises; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she is a committed volunteer with more than 60 years of service and continues  
18 to be a loyal volunteer of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change  
19 and in 1995 was presented by Coretta Scott King with that organization's Community  
20 Service Award; and

1 WHEREAS, this amazing woman displays her compassion for those less fortunate, and on  
2 her birthday each year refuses gifts, taking great joy in giving to destitute individuals and  
3 victims of winter house fires; and

4 WHEREAS, it is only right and proper that this dynamic woman be recognized and honored  
5 for her many contributions to her community and this state.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
7 the members of this body commend Mrs. Mary Sallie Clark Hughes for her generosity of  
8 spirit and contributions to her community and the State of Georgia.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Mary Sallie Clark  
11 Hughes.